

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract by rewriting same to read as follows.

~~The present invention intends~~ A method and apparatus to enlarge a range of positions in which a proper ~~position of~~ sound image ~~position~~ is obtained, when a sound field is generated by a speaker array. A plurality of speakers constituting a speaker array and a plurality of digital filters to which an audio signal is supplied respectively are provided. Respective outputs of the digital filters are supplied to the speakers, respectively, and a sound field is generated ~~inside~~ in a closed space. Predetermined delay times are set for the digital filters, respectively. Consequently, sounds outputted from the speaker array are reflected by a wall surface of the closed space[[,]] and then supplied to a location of a listener inside the sound field at a sound pressure ~~larger~~ greater than ~~that of a sound field at~~ a peripheral location.